2. Rupsa-Bangriposi	Formation work upto cess level has been completed. Casting of Pre-cast RCC segments is in progress.
Doubling Projects	
1. Nergundi-Cuttack- Raghunathpur	Land acquisition is in progress between Raghunathpur-Badakhandeita.
2. Rahama-Paradeep	Work is progress on available land.
3. Rajathgarh-Nergundi	Rajathgarh-Salegaon section has been opened to traffic. Work on Salegaon-Nergundi section is in progress.
4. Raghunathpur-Rahama	The new line has been opened as diversion. Strengthening of old line is in progress.
5. 2nd Bridges on rivers Birupa and Mahanadi	Design of the Birupa bridge has been completed and design of the Mahanadi bridge is in progress.
6. Rajathgarh-Barang	The work is included in the Budget and is awaiting requisite clearances, action for which has already been initiated.
7. Titlagarh-Linjigarh Road	Work is in progress on available land.
8. Khurda-Puri (Phase-I)	Estimates are under preparation.

Grades of Railway Accounts Staff

3538. SHRI C. O. POULOSE: Will theMinisterof RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether grades of Accounts Staff of Railways have been notified according to recommendation of Fifth Central Pay Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.(b) Following pay scales have been granted to the Accounts staff of Railways as recommended by the Fifth Central Pay Commission.

(i)	Accounts Clerk	Rs. 3050-4590 (pre-revised Rs.950-1500)
(ii)	Junior Accounts Assistant	Rs.4000-6000; (pre-revised Rs. 1200-2040)
(iii)	Accounts Assistant/Stock Verifier	Rs.5000-8000 (pre-revised Rs. 1400- 2600)
(iv)	Section Officer (Accounts)/ Sr. StockVerifier	Rs. 5500-9000 (pre-revised Rs. 1640-2900)
(v)	Senior Section Officer (Accounts)	Rs. 6500-10500 (pre-revised Rs.2000- 3200)

New trains on Vizag-Mumbai and Vizag-Bangalore routes

3539. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, in view of public demand, Government propose to introduce new trains on Vizag-Mumbai and Vizag-Bangalore routes; and

(b) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) Frequency of 8563/8564 Visakhapatnam-Bangalore Express has been increased from 4 days a week to daily with effect from 02.07.2000. However, at present there is no proposal to introduce new trains on the Visakhapatnam-Mumbai and Visakhapatnam-Bangalore sectors.

Danapur-Howrah passenger train

† 3540. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Danapur-Howrah fast passenger train is not being run from Danapur since last one year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.